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THE PROPOSED ARTICLE "DIVORCE AMERICAN STYLE" HAS BEEN THOROUGHLY REVIEWED IN THE EMBASSY. WE BELIEVE THAT THIS ARTICLE IS NOT APPROPRIATE FOR PUBLICATION IN THE POLISH-LANGUAGE "AMERYKA" MAGAZINE. THE SUBJECT OF DIVORCE IS TOO DELICATE AND CONTROVERSIAL IN A COUNTRY WHERE THE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IS STRONG AND CONSERVATIVE. WHILE THE ARTICLE IS THOUGHTFUL AND BALANCED (ALTHOUGH IT SEEMS MORE DESIGNED FOR A DOMESTIC U.S. THAT A FOREIGN AUDIENCE), IT MIGHT BE CONSIDERED BY POLISH CATHOLICS AS OFFENSIVE AND AN APOLOGY FOR DIVORCE, WHICH WE WOULD NOT WANT TO RISK IN OUR PRINCIPAL PUBLICATION MEDIUM IN POLAND. MOREOVER, THE ARTICLE'S OVERALL IMPACT REINFORCES A COMMON THEME IN COMMUNIST MEDIA ABOUT DESPERATION, HOPELESSNESS, AND THE SOCIAL UPHEAVAL OF LIFE IN AMERICAN AND CAPITALIST SOCIETY. WE DO NOT WANT THIS ARTICLE IN POLISH-LANGUAGE "AMERYKA" AND ARE REQUEST A SUBSTITUTE.
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